

The decision by Sinclair Broadcasting to force their stations to air a piece of anti Kerry political propoganda is a violation of the agreement that media organizations have with the American people. These organizations have been provided free access to publicly held spectrum. In addition, the public pays to protect their right to uninterrupted access to that spectrum. In exchange for these subsidies, these companies are obligated to provide fair access to all legitimate points of view and refrain from becoming propoganda outlets.

If this blatant political act is allowed to occure, a very damaging precedent will be established. One of the negative results will be a sever decline of respect for the ability of the FCC to protect the American public from the predatory actions of a few powerful media companies.

Thank you for your consideration.